

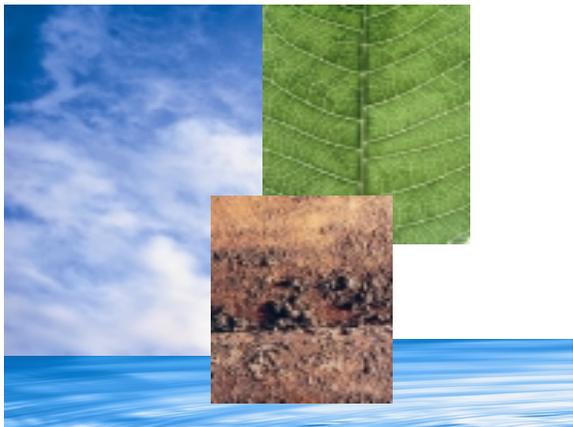
CNGIP - Scorecard

- The 31 outlets on-line by late 2002 will provide a skeleton national refuelling network in Australia's populous south-east crescent.
- The CNGIP has therefore helped resolve the 'chicken and egg' dilemma constraining the expansion of CNG transport fuels.
- Nevertheless, the AGO recognises the need to 'flesh out the skeleton' - more on this later.



The Alternative Fuels Conversion Program

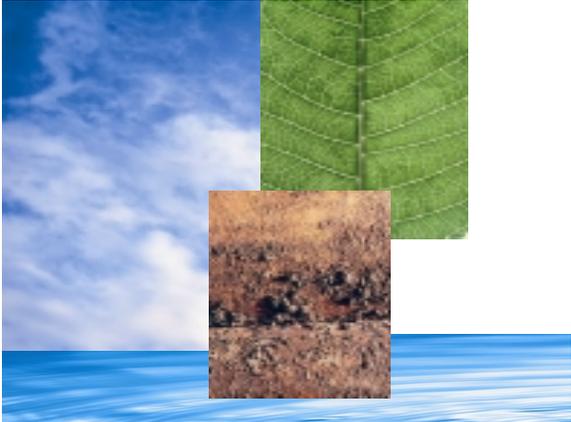
- The Alternative Fuels Conversion Program focuses on buses and commercial vehicles 3.5 tonnes and above.
- Provides up to 50 per cent of the costs of converting to LPG, or CNG, or 50 per cent of the price difference between new LPG/CNG vehicles and their conventionally fuelled equivalents.



The Alternative Fuels Conversion Program - progress to date

- 555 buses, 206 other vehicles and 2 trucks have received funding since January 2000. There has been growth in the traditional markets for NGVs (buses and forklifts). However, it has proven much harder to achieve the penetration of alternative fuels into Australia's trucking sector.

Australian NGVs - Growth: 1997-2001



*ANGVC
projection:
6000 vehicles
by December
2002*

Vehicle type	1997	2001
Buses	312	513
Passenger vehicles	434	244
Forklifts	887	1246
Trucks and taxis	113	79
Other	20	22
Total	1766	2104

Australia's CNG Buses - a success story

